

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. Algerian

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2. West New Guinea
issue

The Dutch cabinet will not discuss the Bunker proposal formally before tomorrow, when Foreign Minister Luns returns from London where he is now attending the West European Union meeting. Yesterday Sukarno made a relatively--for him--restrained speech in which he publicly approved the Bunker proposal, adding "we are awaiting the Dutch reply." We believe that the Dutch, under the gun to appear constructive, will probably make counterproposals in an attempt to resolve the impasse over guarantees for Papuan self-determination.

3. South Vietnam

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b. A new high for Viet Cong-initiated incidents--1,861 as against October's record of 1,854--was set in March.

4. Soviet missile activity

a. Analysis of the movements of space and missile support ships in the Pacific and South Atlantic, [redacted]

[redacted] indicates that preparations are continuing for a space launch from the Tyura Tam missile test range. [redacted]

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b. The Soviets may also be getting ready for another test of their long-range cruise missile. We are not sure what they have in mind for this missile--which they have been testing since 1957--but believe it is associated either with the development of a reconnaissance vehicle or weapons carrier, or with the investigation of high-speed flight phenomena. [redacted]

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NOTES

- A. The US Embassy in Rabat, noting arrival of the first Soviet military shipments under an agreement on which serious negotiations did not commence until last December, observes that the relative rapid delivery--in contrast to slower US action--will influence Moroccan thinking.
- B. UN troops and Katanga gendarmes exchanged fire in Elisabethville yesterday--the first incident since Tshombé left for Leopoldville. No casualties were reported.

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- D. Student agitators in Iran, attempting to organize demonstrations in the Shah's absence, are reported having little success at present.
- E. The Soviet press is reporting "micro-seismic" detection units so sensitive that "not a single nuclear explosion carried out abroad" has remained secret.
- F. The new Indian cabinet, announced yesterday, is virtually the same as the last one.
- G. Guatemala plans to request appointment of a US observer for the UK-Guatemalan talks--involving Guatemalan claims to British Honduras--beginning in Puerto Rico on 16 April.

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- H. We have no confirmation of a Cambodian charge--reported in a radio broadcast--that a South Vietnamese force, commanded jointly by a Vietnamese major and US captain, captured and tortured 14 Cambodians.

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